## Today's News - September 26, 2006

Ouroussoff visits three American cities using architecture to mend a tom urban fabric. — Fukuoka's collection of modern masters. — San Francisco's sod-in has lessons for us all. — MITs fab tree lab is a green home from the roots up. — Lincoln Center's "forlorn street" finally sees the sun. — More about Wright's Florida Southern College restoration. — Not everyone in Barton Myers's hometown is welcoming with open arms. — In Chicago, historic neighborhood making a comeback with a high-rise influx; and hidden gems on campuses. — Old San Francisco dome has a new home. — A chapel rises in a campus woods. — Pacific Northwest architects make corrugated cool. — Kamin finds "Massive Change" is "one of the most stimulating design exhibitions in a long time." — A national housing innovator takes on NYC. — The Queens Award for green architects. — Kapoor as artist and architect. — Edinburgh Doors Open Day opens soon.

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If You Build It, Will They Come? ...however fashionable it is to attack the wave of new architectural monuments as part of a shallow effort to attract tourist dollars, many of these designs involve some sort of sincere effort to repair a torn urban fabric. By Nicolai Ouroussoff -- Nouvel; Rapson; Barnes; Pelli; Graves; Gehry; Libeskind; Ponti; Sejima/Nishizawa/Sanaa- New York Times

In Japan, a Time Capsule of Modern Design: Fukuoka is...one of the best places in the world to see the works of world-class contemporary architects side by side. — Koolhaas; Holl; Kazuo Shinohara; Jerde; PelliTusquets Blanca; Mark Mack; de Portzamparc; Osamu Ishiyama; Emilio Ambasz; Ito: Isozaki; Graves; Rossi [slide show]- New York Times

Drop a coin in the meter and enjoy the park: ...the sod-in demonstrated a more lasting truth about what can make urban parks thrive. By John King -- Rebar; BAR Architects; Elizabeth Boults- San Francisco Chronicle

MIT plants seeds of a new kind of house: Faced with global warming, a projected energy crunch, and suburban sprawl, a team of MIT researchers has envisioned a radical antidote: truly ``green" homes, nurtured from seedling to tree house...fab tree hab... [image, slide show]- Boston Globe

A Little Sun Goes a Long Way: ...as part of Lincoln Center's massive modernization effort...Milstein Plaza finally removed, it is a pleasure to see daylight returning to this forlorn street...Gallery Met... mirrored exterior, which makes no sense in the context of the larger building, but is dramatic all the same. By James Gardner -- Diller Scofidio + Renfro; Lindy Roy- New York Sun

<u>Diamonds and Rust at Florida Southern College: Once Ignored, To Be Restored: Frank Lloyd Wright Treasures to Get Needed Work – Mesick, Cohen, Wilson, Baker Architects-The Ledger (Florida)</u>

Meet the architect behind Norfolk church addition controversy: Barton Myers' deep roots in the city haven't counted for much in the conflict. [images]- The Virginian-Pilot

Pomp returns to Prairie Avenue: Historic area shifting back to its pricey roots...So far, critics of the high-rise influx have been outnumbered and outmuscled. -- Lucien Lagrange-Chicago Sun-Times

Beyond the Usual Campus Suspects: Some of Chicago's best architecture has always been on the city's campuses, but here's some gems that frequently get overlooked. By Lynn Becker — Mies van der Rohe; Walter Netsch; Helmut Jahn; Rem Koolhaas; Rafael Vinoly; Ricardo Legorreta; Stanley Tigerman; Eva Maddox; Archeworks; Ross Barney + Jankowski- Repeat (Chicago)

Old Emporium dome has turned into symbol of the new Westfield San Francisco Centre.

By John King [imgaes]- San Francisco Chronicle

Garvan Gardens to Unveil Landmark Anthony Chapel: ...Maurice Jennings [and] David McKee designed the chapel that soars an impressive 57 feet into a canopy of trees... -- Fay Jones [image]- University of Arkansas Daily Digest

Corrugated steel is a nice wrinkle: Northwestern architects...are increasingly getting the metal urge. The good news is that it works. By Lawrence W. Cheek -- Carlson Architects; Hewitt Architects; Gensler; Glenn Murcutt; Shuhei Endo- Seattle Post-Intelligencer

Massively thought-provoking: Museum of Contemporary Art show opens door to technologies' and their designs' effect on world: "Massive Change: The Future of Global Design"...is one of the most stimulating design exhibitions in a long time, a feast for both the eye and the mind.. By Blair Kamin — Bruce Mau- Chicago Tribune

A National Housing Innovator Leads New York City's Effort for the Poor: The business of generating working-class housing has become more complex with the city's population growing and land values rising. -- Shaun Donovan- New York Times

<u>Green Architects Win Queen's Award for "continuous achievement in CO2-neutral sustainable building design and development" -- Eco Arc- Green Building Press (UK)</u>

Into the deep: Sculptor Anish Kapoor invites Simon Hattenstone to his studio to talk size, price tags...It looks more like an architect's office than an artist's. Perhaps appropriately so...- Guardian (UK)

You have to look into this: Edinburgh Doors Open Day September 30 -- Cockburn Association- The Scotsman (UK)

New Frontiers in Science and Design: ASU Biodesign Institute by Gould Evans and Lord, Aeck & Sargent (images)- ArchNewsNow

Newly opened: Gehry Partners: Hotel Marques de Riscal, Elciego, (Alava) Spain

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